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FOR ASST SECRETARY ROGERS ONLY FROM AMB. CAMPBELL

1. MET WITH DON FRANCISCO DESOLA LAST EVENING. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION THAT BOTH YOU AND AMB. RYAN TOOK TIME FROM YOUR BUSY SCHEDULES TO MEET WITH THEM IN WASHINGTON. HE ADVISED ME THAT YOU CONFIRMED WHAT I HAD PREVIOUSLY TOLD HIM IN SAN SALVADOR, THAT NO DIRECT ASSISTANCE CAN BE OFFERED BY U.S., THE TERRORIST PROBLEM MUST BE RESOLVED HERE BY THE GOES. ALTHOUGH MR. DESOLA DOES NOT HAVE CONFIDENCE IN THE PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE OF THE INVESTIGATION BRANCH OF GOES, AND WE SHARE HIS CONCERN, AFTER HIS CONVERSATIONS IN WASHINGTON HE HAS DECIDED THAT HE HAS NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO GO DIRECTLY TO PRESIDENT MOLINA AND OFFER HIS FULL COOPERATION WITH THE GOES AND ALSO ASSISTANCE IN STRENGTHENING THE INVESTIGATIVE BRANCH AND NATIONAL POLICE FORCE.

2. DE SOLA IS ONE OF GROUP OF REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESSMEN RECENTLY FORMED TO SUPPORT THE GOVERNMENT FINANCIALLY AND POLITICALLY. RECENTLY I WAS INFORMED THAT THIS GROUP WILL PURCHASE AND GIVE TO THE NATIONAL POLICE 15 POLICE CARS AND 15 JEEPS, AND OTHER VEHICLES WHICH THEY BADLY NEED FOR PATROL DUTIES.

3. ALSO, DURING OUR MEETING MR. DE SOLA AGAIN EXPRESSED
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HIS CONCERN THAT TERRORIST GROUPS NOW HAD THE CAPABILITY

(MONEY) TO BUY OFF MAJORS AND CAPTAINS IN THE ARMED
FORCES TO GET THEM TO REVOLT AGAINST THEIR PRESENT
LEADERSHIP AND TAKE OVER THE GOVERNMENT. OF COURSE,
THIS IS ALWAYS A POSSIBILITY, BUT OUR POL-MIL-ECON
INTELLIGENCE GROUP DOES NOT SHARE HIS CONCERN, AT THIS TIME.

4. FINALLY, DESOLA ASKED IF YOU COULD NOT ACCEPT HIS
INVITATION TO ADDRESS THE COMMENCEMENT GROUP AT THE CENTRAL
AMERICAN BUSINESS COLLEGE IN COSTA RICA THIS JUNE.

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